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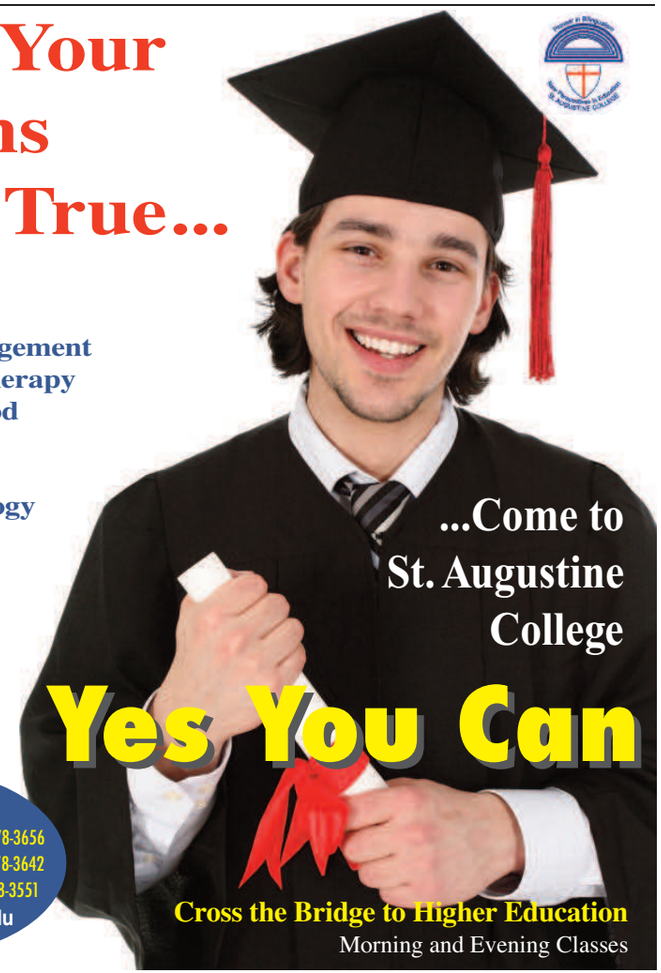

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ADVISERS: OBAMA EXPECTED TO ORDER GITMO CLOSED

Associated Press

WASHINGTON President-elect Obama is preparing to issue an executive order his first week in office—and perhaps his first day—to close the U.S. military prison at Guantanamo Bay, according to two presidential transition team advisers.

It's unlikely the detention facility at the Navy base in Cuba will be closed any time soon. In an interview last weekend, Obama said it would be "a challenge" to close it even within the first 100 days of his administration.

But the order, which one adviser said could be issued as early as Jan. 20, would start the process of deciding what to do with the estimated 250 Al Qaeda and Taliban suspects and potential witnesses who are being held there. Most have not been charged with a crime.

The Guantanamo directive would be one of a series of executive orders Obama is planning to issue shortly after he takes office next Tuesday, according to the two

advisers. Also expected is an executive order about certain interrogation methods, but details were not immediately available Monday.

The advisers spoke on condition of anonymity because they were not authorized to speak publicly about the orders that have not yet been finalized.

Obama transition team spokeswoman Brooke Anderson declined comment Monday.

The two advisers said the executive order will direct the new administration to look at each of the cases of the Guantanamo detainees to see whether they can be released or if they should still be held—and if so, where.

Many of the Guantanamo detainees are cleared for release, and others could be sent back to their native countries and held there. But many nations have resisted Bush administration efforts to repatriate the prisoners back home. Both Obama advisers said it's hoped that nations that had initially resisted taking detainees will be more willing to do so after dealing with the new administration.

What remains the thorniest issue for Obama, the advisers said, is what to do with the rest of the prisoners—including at least 15 so-called "high value detainees" considered among the most dangerous there.

Detainees held on U.S. soil would have certain legal rights that they were not entitled to while imprisoned in Cuba. It's also not clear if they would face trial through the current military tribunal system, or in federal civilian courts, or though a to-be-developed legal system that would mark a hybrid of the two.

Where to imprison the detainees also is a problem.

OBAMA'S MONDAY

» Obama asked President Bush to submit a request to Congress so the second half of the $700 billion financial bailout would be available quickly after the inauguration next Tuesday. Bush agreed to do so. Obama said he wants to focus some of the relief on housing and small businesses.

» Obama met Monday with Mexican President Felipe Calderon over a lunch of tortilla soup. The two leaders discussed such topics as the North American Free Trade Agreement, border security, immigration and crime.

Sleep more, stay cold-free

Associated Press

Fluff up the pillows and pull up the covers. Preventing the common cold may be as easy as getting more sleep.

Researchers paid healthy adults $800 to have cold viruses sprayed up their noses, then wait five days in a hotel to see if they got sick. Habitual eight-hour sleepers were much less likely to get sick than those who slept less than seven hours or slept fitfully.

"The longer you sleep, the better off you are, the less susceptible you are to colds," said lead author Sheldon Cohen, who studies the effects of stress on health at Pittsburgh's Carnegie Mellon University.

Prior research has suggested that sleep boosts the immune system at the cell level. This is the first study to show small sleep disturbances increasing the risk of getting sick, said Dr. Michael Irwin, who researches immune response at the University of California, Los Angeles, and was not involved in the study.

"The message is to maintain regular sleep habits because those are really critical for health," Irwin said.

The people who slept less than seven hours a night in the weeks before they were exposed to the virus were three times more likely to catch a cold than those who slept eight hours or more.

Sleeping fitfully also was tied to greater risk of catching a cold. Those who tossed and turned more than 8 percent of their time in bed were five times more likely to get sick than those who were sleepless only 2 percent of the time.

The researchers took into account other factors that make people more susceptible such as stress, smoking and drinking, and lack of exercise, and they still saw a connection between sleep and resisting a cold.

Magic finger?

The length of a man's ring finger may predict his success as a financial trader. Researchers at the University of Cambridge in England report that men with longer ring fingers, compared to their index fingers, tended to be more successful in the frantic high-frequency trading in the London financial district. AP

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CTA slip-up? How to deal with injury

When Brown Line rider Abby Levine slipped while boarding a train at the Chicago stop, her first emotion was shock, she said.

"I found myself about thigh-deep in a gap between the platform and the train," Levine, 29, told "Going Public" during an interview about a December incident.

Her second reaction: embarrassment.

Another rider had to help her up, Levine said, and the rail operator asked if she was OK.

"I just got on the train because I needed to get to work," Levine said. "If you've ever been on the Brown Line, the last thing you want to do is cause a delay."

But Levine's leg injury was more severe than she initially believed, she said, and she left work early that day. The leg continued to swell and throb, Levine said, leading her to take a few days off and seek a doctor's opinion.

Levine is seeking reimbursement for expenses incurred because of her injury, including doctor's bills and cab commutes. That quest, like her leg injury, has been a source of pain, Levine said.

"They just don't seem to care about investigating this," Levine said. "It's obvious that I'm injured and I've supplied photos, filled out forms and repeated information over and over."

"Going Public" is not a fan of what sounds like craptastic customer service and confusion, and Levine is not the only rider to tell me about an injury. So here's some CTA skinny on serious incidents:

For urgent care, the CTA instructs staffers to contact the Control Center, which then summons emergency responders to the scene, spokeswoman Wanda Taylor told me. The agency does not equip trains, buses or stations with first aid kits or defibrillators, and employees are not trained in first aid, Taylor said.

So what about the walking wounded, like Levine? Here are tips in case of a non-emergency CTA slip-and-fall. I advise you to store these tips alongside your Chicago Card—you know, in case of ...

Bus bumps and bruises

Board buses with caution. Operators are not responsible for cleaning potentially hazardous slippery spots, though they are asked to warn riders as they board and report danger zones to the Control Center so staff can clean the bus at the end of the route. But operators are responsible for taking rider injury reports, so notify them immediately if you're hurt.

Train trauma

Train-related trauma is especially important in light of wintry conditions on platforms and station steps. The CTA tries to sand and de-ice slick spots, but if an accident happens, report it to a customer assistant or rail operator, Taylor said. You also can contact customer service about it later. Based on Levine's experience, I advise taking on-the-spot action. If you need to alert the agency to an injury after the fact, e-mail **ctahelp@transitchicago.com** to create a paper trail and feel free to "cc" me. No pun intended, but it couldn't hurt.

TALK TO US

Have you ever been injured on the CTA? Share your story—and how the agency dealt with it—at **goingpublic@tribune.com.** Also, feel free to unload about any other mass transit topic. Please include your full name, age and neighborhood in case we run your comment in "Hey, CTA!" on Wednesday.

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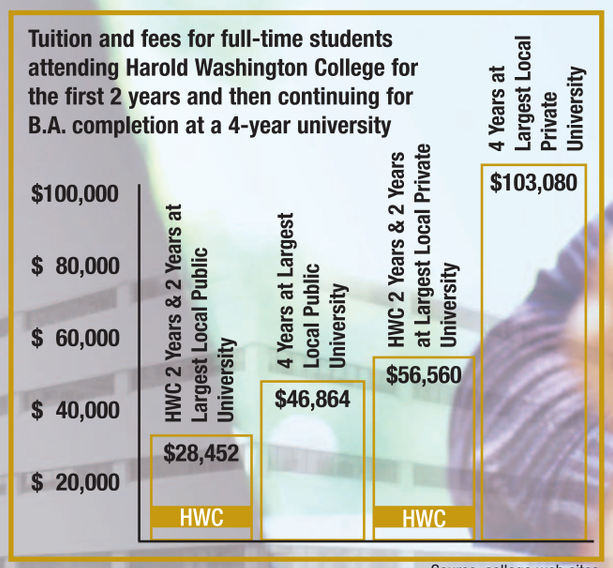

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George of the bungle

As Bush prepares to leave the White House, he reflects on some of his 'mistakes' and 'disappointments'

From news services

A retiring President Bush, delivering the final and most introspective news conference of his long presidency, acknowledged Monday the several "mistakes" and "disappointments" of his tumultuous two terms in the Oval Office, yet voiced a defiant insistence that he made the choices necessary to defend the nation from threats that still persist today.

"Clearly, putting 'Mission Accomplished' on an aircraft carrier was a mistake," he said of the banner draped across the carrier in the Pacific where he landed in a fighter jet weeks after the invasion of Iraq to declare major military action completed.

But after starting what he called "the ultimate exit interview" with a lengthy and personalized thank-you to the reporters in the room who have covered him over the eight years of his presidency, Bush showed anger at times when presented with some of the main criticisms of his time in office.

"I think it's a good, strong record," he said. "You know, presidents can try to avoid hard decisions and therefore avoid controversy. That's just not my nature."

He particularly became indignant when asked about America's bruised image overseas.

"I disagree with this assessment that, you know, that people view America in a dim light," he said. "It may be damaged amongst some of the elite. But people still understand America stands for freedom."

The 43rd president, who will leave office with Obama's inauguration seven days from Tuesday and has endured years of criticism from the media, showed flashes of his trademark brand of humor throughout the news conference.

"We have been through a lot together," Bush told the assembled media. "Through it all, I have respected you. Sometimes I didn't like the stories you wrote." He joked, "Sometimes I felt you mis-underestimated me."

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> **PRESIDENT BUSH**
> On his relationship with the media

A remarkably candid and reflective Bush went on to detail what he considered missteps during his time in office.

"Obviously some of my rhetoric has been a mistake," said Bush, who previously has voiced regret over threatening to find Osama bin Laden "dead or alive" or declaring of the nation's enemies: "Bring it on."

He did not mention bin Laden, the still elusive Al Qaeda leader and sponsor of the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001, on this day, however.

"I've thought long and hard about Katrina," Bush said. "Could I have done something different?" Such as landing Air Force One at Baton Rouge, La., instead of making the low fly-over above New Orleans that he did days after the storm deluged the Gulf Coast.

But then, he said, people would have criticized him for distracting law enforcement in the region at a critical time with the landing of the president's jet.

"People say the federal response was slow," he complained. "Don't tell me the federal response was slow when there was 30,000 people pulled off roofs right after the storm passed."

"There have been disappointments," the president said. "Abu Ghraib [the abuse of U.S.-held prisoners in Iraq] was a huge disappointment. Not having weapons of mass destruction [in Iraq] was a significant disappointment."

Asked about his many and most strident critics, Bush said: "You know, most people I see as I move around the country, they're not angry, and they're not hostile people." (Among the others, he said: "I don't know why they get angry. I don't know why they get hostile.")

"In times of war, people get emotional," Bush said. "I've never spent that much time, frankly, worrying about the loud voices."

With that, the president's own voice rose, as he stated with some defiance: It would be wrong, he said, "if I allowed the loud voices to prevent me from doing what I thought was necessary to protect this country."

While suggesting that he will step out of the limelight in retirement, Bush did allow that his "Type-A personality" might make that difficult. "I just can't envision myself, you know, the big straw hat and a Hawaiian shirt sitting on some beach," said Bush, adding as an aside, "particularly since I quit drinking."

As for his impending retirement, he made this prediction:

"I wake up in Crawford Tuesday morning—I mean, Wednesday morning [Jan. 21], and I suspect I'll make Laura coffee, and, you know, go get it for her."

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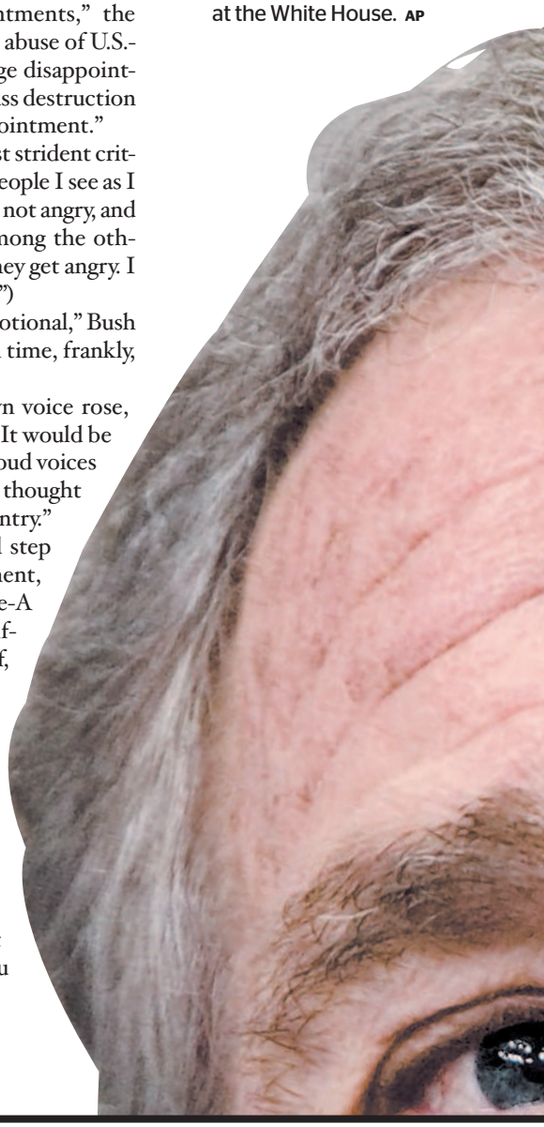


President Bush takes questions Monday at the White House. AP

SMALL BLUNDERS

It has been a sometimes awkward, sometimes embarrassing run in office for President Bush, to say the least. RedEye looks back on some moments that were memorable for all the wrong reasons.

THE PRETZEL
January 2002: Bush tells reporters he choked on a pretzel and momentarily blacked out while watching a football game—hence the scrape on his face.

THE MOCKUMENTARY
June 2004: Michael Moore's "Fahrenheit 9/11" ridicules Bush and the Iraq war, ending with Bush's infamous "Fool me once" quote.

THE QUOTE
September 2005: During a televised fundraiser to benefit victims of Hurricane Katrina, Kanye West states, "George Bush doesn't care about black people."

QUOTE II
September 2005: Bush will be remembered for eight fateful words in the wake of the Katrina debacle: "Brownie, you're doing a heck of a job."

THE DOOR
November 2005: At a news conference in China, Bush prepares to exit through a set of double doors, not realizing they are locked.

Let the record show ... A look at George W. Bush's presidency on some of the biggest issues of the day:

HEALTH CARE

The largest expansion ever of Medicare took place under Bush's watch with the addition of a prescription drug benefit that eased the financial burden of millions of seniors and the disabled. At the same time, the ranks of the uninsured grew from 38.4 million in 2000 to 45.7 million in 2007.

BUDGET

Bush inherited a federal budget that had just posted a record $236 billion surplus, but the U.S. government's fiscal picture deteriorated sharply on his watch. The deficit for the recently completed 2008 budget year registered a record $455 billion, and the 2009 deficit is sure to be far worse—the latest estimate is $1.2 trillion.

ECONOMY

There have been two recessions during his time in office. The first was a relatively mild downturn that began in March 2001, just after he took office, and lasted eight months, ending in November 2001. The second downturn began December 2007 and already has lasted longer than any recession in a quarter century. If it does not end until the second half of this year, which many economists believe is likely, the current recession will have surpassed in length all other downturns of the post-World War II period. AP

REDEYE ON THE SPOT

RedEye asked Chicagoans to describe what, for them, was the most memorable part of Bush's presidency. Here's what some had to say.

"I'll miss the Bushisms. What I won't miss is everyone around the world hating us because our president isn't up to par."
MOJI AKINDE, 24, BRONZEVILLE

"9/11, and just his reaction to that. He probably should have stopped reading the book to the preschoolers when he heard."
TARA TRAUB, 25, LOOP

"One quote: 'Mission Accomplished.' I think it summarizes his presidency in a lot of different ways. He thinks he's doing something good, that something's done, that something's accomplished, but it's left a mess."
JOE LUKEY, 34, BLUE ISLAND

"Hurricane Katrina, and the way he and his family responded to it. How they felt, in my opinion, that it wasn't that important."
BRENDA COLE, 27, WOODLAWN

SOUND OFF

What moment will you remember most? E-mail **ritaredeye@tribune.com** or join the ongoing discussion at **twitter.com/redeyechicago**.

THE GAFFE

June 2006: Bush teases White House reporter Peter Wallsten for wearing "shades" at a news conference, noting "there's no sun." Wallsten wears the glasses because of a disease that causes vision loss. Bush later apologizes.

THE DANCING

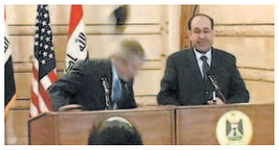
March and April 2008

THE BUMP

May 2008: Bush shares a celebratory chest bump with an Air Force Academy grad.

THE SNUB

November 2008: World leaders are all too happy to shake hands with one another at the G20 summit, but no one shakes Bush's hand.



THE SHOES

December 2008: An agile Bush ducks two shoes hurled at him by an Iraqi journalist. "This is the farewell kiss, you dog," Muntadar al-Zeidi says before throwing.

THE TAKE-BACK

December 2008: Bush rescinds a presidential pardon—a seemingly unprecedented move—for a politically connected real estate developer convicted of defrauding low-income home buyers.

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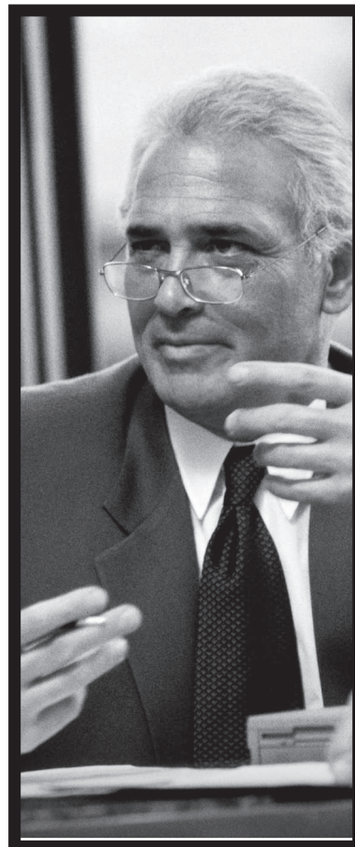

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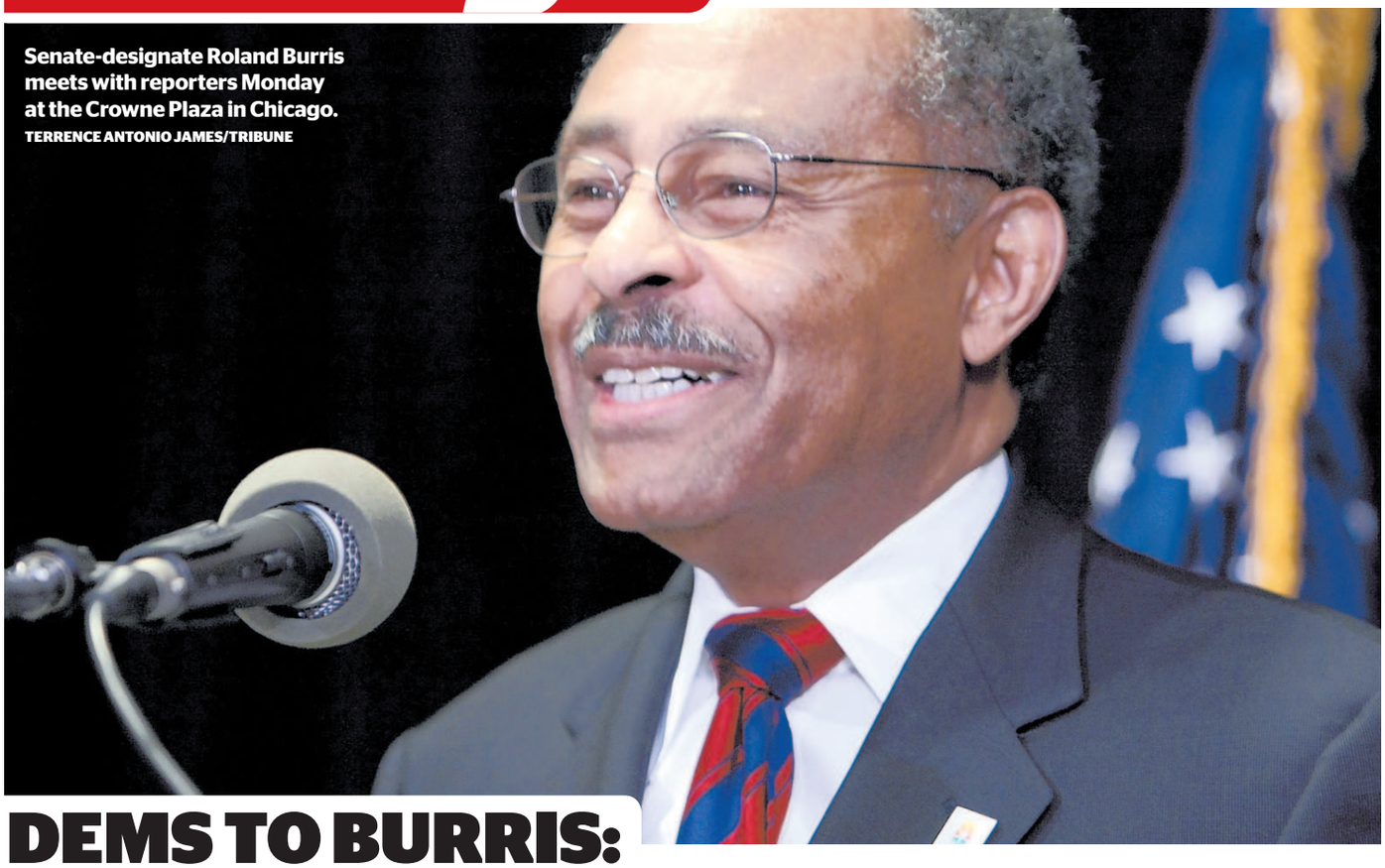

Senate-designate Roland Burris meets with reporters Monday at the Crowne Plaza in Chicago.
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DEMS TO BURRIS: TAKE YOUR SEAT

In reversal, G-Rod's Senate pick expected to be sworn in this week

Chicago Tribune

His appointment finally endorsed by U.S. Senate leadership, Roland Burris said Monday he expects to be sworn in this week as Barack Obama's replacement.

At a news conference Monday afternoon, Burris, a former Illinois attorney general, extended an olive branch to the Democrats who had stood in his way after he was nominated by Gov. Blagojevich.

Burris singled out for thanks two of his major opponents, Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid of Nevada and Sen. Dick Durbin of Illinois, who had staunchly opposed the Blagojevich appointment. "It will be my honor to both serve with them and to learn from them," Burris said.

And he said he "owed a debt of gratitude" to Illinois Secretary of State Jesse White, who had refused to sign papers certifying his nomination. He called White "an honorable man" who "stood for what he believed was right."

It became clear that Burris had won his battle to become the junior senator from Illinois Monday afternoon when Senate Democratic leaders dropped their objections.

The agreement came after Senate lawyers said Burris met the chamber's rules and could be sworn in.

"Barring objections from Senate Republicans, we expect Senator-designee Burris to be sworn in and formally seated later this week," said a joint statement from Reid and Durbin, the assistant majority leader.

The Senate Democratic leaders had told Burris last week that he needed to testify before the Illinois House impeachment committee about his relationship with Blagojevich and submit a signature from the Illinois secretary of state certifying his appointment by Blagojevich.

"We have spoken to Mr. Burris to let him know that he is now the Senator-designate from Illinois and as such, will be accorded all the rights and privileges of a Senator-elect," the joint statement said.

Senate Democrats initially balked when Blagojevich announced he was appointing Burris to the Senate seat. Their objection, they said, had nothing to do with Burris, but the fact that a potentially corrupt governor had appointed him.

Senate Republicans, meanwhile, say they have no objection to the seating of Burris, who waged a lonely struggle to claim the seat that included standing in the rain outside the Capitol after officials turned him away.

The Blagojevich-Burris saga caused heartburn for the Senate as it watched a governor accused of corruption and facing federal indictment trying to force them to accept a senator of his choosing all the while accusing Reid, the Senate majority leader, of racism.

'BRIGHTER DAYS' AHEAD

Roland Burris said he recognizes his appointment by Gov. Blagojevich triggered a "challenging time." But he said his motivation is to serve Illinois and doesn't have anything to do with the scandal that preceded his appointment. Burris said Monday that "brighter days are ahead" for the state. AP

Nordic tracker?

Say what? Norwegians are apparently fascinated with the comings and goings of CTA buses. The CTA Bus Tracker Web site has received 15,395 visits since last year from people in Norway or whose computers or personal wireless devices were registered there, according to the agency's tech gurus—more than any other country outside the U.S.

Meanwhile, 11 more bus routes will be added to **ctabustracker.com** starting Jan. 26, transit officials said Monday, bring the total to 86 of the CTA's 153 bus routes.

They include the No. 3-King Drive, No. 4-Cottage Grove, No. 22-Clark, No. 36-Broadway, No. 49B-North Western, No. 82-Kimball/Homan and No. 93-California/Dodge.

Peterson's squeeze moves in, friends say

Drew Peterson's latest love interest has moved in with him, according to distraught friends and family members of the 23-year-old mother of two. "It's unbelievable," said Joe Raines, the uncle of Peterson's alleged fiance, Christina Raines. "I don't get it, but what are you going do? She's an adult."

Dogs in mauling case euthanized

Authorities say a Rottweiler that fatally mauled a Southwest Side boy has been euthanized, along with two other dogs found at the same address. Four-year-old Alex Angulo was attacked Sunday afternoon in the back yard of his foster family's home.

Bridge work begins

City work crews began swapping out sidewalks and handrails on the Michigan Avenue Bridge on Monday, embarking on a project that will disrupt pedestrian traffic until June and cost about $3.5 million.

Teacher allegedly assaulted student

A teacher at an all-girls Catholic high school has been charged with criminal sexual assault after a series of encounters with one of his underage students, authorities said Monday. Eric Cheung, 24, a chemistry teacher at Maria High School on the Southwest Side, was arrested Friday. His bail was set at $500,000 at a court hearing Sunday.

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1 A real eye-opener

For coffee drinkers who need more than caffeine to get them going, Donald Crabtree thinks he's hit on an eye-opening answer in Vassalboro, Maine. Crabtree plans to open a topless coffee shop. Town law does not prohibit such an establishment.

2 GM: Worst-case scenario

GM's chief operating officer wouldn't say Monday whether GM will need all $18 billion in government loans it sought from Congress, but he said GM's worst-case scenario would require more than the $13.4 billion already allocated by the Treasury Department.

3 FBI: Crime down

The FBI says crime declined in the first half of 2008, despite an alarming spike in small-town murders. Violent crime nationwide fell 3.5 percent, and property crime dropped 2.5 percent, according to the bureau's preliminary figures released Monday morning. Murders dropped 4.4 percent nationwide.

4 Gay bishop to pray at inaugural event

The first openly gay Episcopal bishop will offer a prayer at an inaugural event for President-elect Obama. The selection of New Hampshire Episcopal Bishop Gene Robinson for Sunday's event follows weeks of criticism from gay-rights groups over Obama's decision to have the Rev. Rick Warren give the invocation at his Jan. 20 inauguration.

5 Obama double

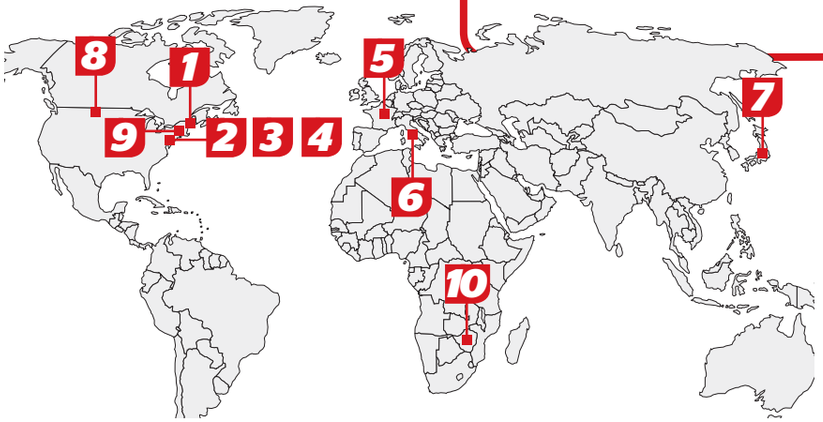
A French black group is parading a Barack Obama-lookalike, American actor Michael Lamar, at the lower house of parliament and in Paris in a campaign to highlight its concerns about alleged racial profiling by police in France.

6 Dirty getaway

One of Italy's most-wanted mafia fugitives, Giuseppe Setola, eluded capture Monday by climbing through a trap door and into the sewer as police closed in, authorities said. Setola, a purported mob boss who is on Italy's list of the 30 most-wanted fugitives, has been on the run since last year.

Coming of age

7 **TOKYO** Kimono-clad participants, who turned 20 this year, react Monday as they ride a roller coaster following their Coming of Age ceremony at the Toshimaen amusement park on the Coming of Age Day national holiday. AP



8 Winter fury

A fast-moving blizzard brought snow and high winds to North Dakota on Monday, closing schools and causing more headaches for residents still trying to dig out from a record snowfall last month. The Minot area got 6 inches of snow, on top of about a foot late last week, while Bismarck picked up another 4 inches. As the system moved eastward, blizzard or near-blizzard conditions were expected in parts of South Dakota, Iowa and Minnesota.

Madoff remains free

9 **NEW YORK** A judge allowed disgraced investor Bernard Madoff to remain free on bail Monday, rejecting an attempt by prosecutors to send him to jail for mailing more than $1 million in jewelry to family and friends over the holidays.

Madoff

The decision means Madoff will avoid having to leave the comfort of his $7 million penthouse and await trial in a cramped jail cell with nothing but bunkbeds, a sink and toilet. Madoff will remain under house arrest and under the constant watch of security guards.

The ruling further outraged investors who have been clamoring for Madoff to be sent to jail for allegedly carrying out the largest financial fraud in history. They find it shocking that Madoff is free on bail, despite distributing assets that could be used to help repay investors who lost billions.

Stephen Weiss, a lawyer for several dozen Madoff investors, said there "are people on the street who are very unhappy" with the ruling.

THE DIGIT

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$50 billion

10 Zimbabwe's central bank released a new $50 billion note Monday. The new note was worth $1.25 U.S. at Monday's black market exchange rate. A week ago, $50 billion was worth $2.20 U.S. Zimbabweans are reeling from the inflation.

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'THE HAWK' & THE HALL

Former Cubs slugger inches closer to being enshrined

Chicago Tribune

Andre Dawson was working out at a gym in Miami when he heard the news Monday.

The former Cubs slugger received 361 votes, or 67 percent, in Hall of Fame voting by members of the Baseball Writers Association of America. He needed 75 percent to be elected. Only Rickey Henderson and Jim Rice were elected.

"I got up from [last year's 65.9] percent to 67," Dawson said 20 minutes after the results were announced. "It's good to move up. I hope it doesn't take 15 years though.

"I figured Rice would get in because he missed by a handful of votes [16] last year. And this was his last year of eligibility. And, of course, Rickey was a first-ballot nominee."

Dawson, who has undergone knee-replacement surgery, should be encouraged that Rice finally will be enshrined. Dawson's stats compare favorably to Rice's.

Playing left field, Rice hit 382 career homers and had a .298 batting average over 16 seasons with the Red Sox.

Dawson hit 438 homers and batted .279 over 21 seasons with the Expos, Cubs, Red Sox and Marlins. More significantly, Dawson won eight Gold Gloves as a center fielder and right fielder and also stole 314 bases. He is the only eligible player with more than 1,000 extra-base hits who is not in the Hall of Fame.

"I hope I'll be on track for next year," said Dawson, who is a special assistant to the president of the Florida Marlins.

The 1987 National League Most Valuable Player as a member of the last-place Cubs and 1977 NL Rookie of the Year with the Expos, Dawson has seen his enthusiasm for the Hall wane since his mother died.

"That ran across my mind about a week or so ago," Dawson said. "She was the most important and most influential person ever in my life. It probably will be a little bit emotional for me ... not just getting in [the Hall of Fame eventually], but the fact that she won't be here to see it."

Dawson
TRIBUNE FILE

Rickey Henderson, Jim Rice voted in

Newsday

Chicago-born Rickey Henderson strolled into the Hall of Fame on Monday by a landslide margin in his first year of eligibility.

Henderson

Rice

Jim Rice's wait for baseball immortality took a little longer—15 years, to be exact—but he finally squeezed through the doors of Cooperstown by seven votes in his last year on the ballot.

Henderson was included on 511 of the 539 ballots (94.8 percent) in voting done by the Baseball Writers Association of America. Rice was listed on 412 ballots (76.4 percent).

"I feel great about it," Henderson said. "It's been a long time coming. I thank baseball because I love the game. I wanted to continue playing. It came to a time that it had to stop, and now that it's been five years, and they've chosen me to go to the Hall of Fame, I can't be any more pleased."

Henderson, 50, finished as the career leader in steals (1,406) and runs (2,295). He is a 10-time All-Star, has two World Series rings with the A's and Blue Jays and was the AL MVP in 1989.

"I've been fortunate and blessed to have played with a great number of phenomenal baseball players, but pound-for-pound, Rickey Henderson is the best player I've ever played beside," said Willie Randolph, his teammate on the Yankees and A's.

Rice, 55, led the AL in home runs three times and is the only player with three straight seasons of at least 35 homers and 200-plus hits (he averaged 41 homers, 128 RBIs and 207 hits from 1977-79). He was the MVP in 1978 and finished his career with a .298 batting average, 382 home runs and 1,451 RBIs.

As for the long wait, Rice was unapologetic about his frosty relationship with reporters, which most likely was a contributing factor to the delay. "Be patient and wait for the last out," Rice said. "I guess everything is timing, because my numbers have not changed in the last 14 years."

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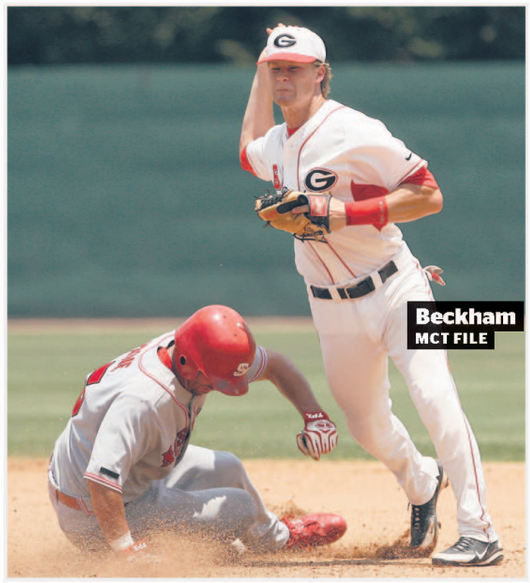
Poll position

Do you think Andre Dawson was snubbed? Text "**snub1**" for yes or "**snub2**" for no to **47383**. You'll get the results instantly. While you're at it, tell Whizzer why you think "The Hawk" does or does not deserve to be in the Hall by texting "**whiz**" and your comment, followed by your full name and neighborhood, to **47383**.

Ex-Cubs, Sox miss the cut

A player must receive 75 percent of the vote to be inducted. This year, that meant 405 votes. Here are some former Cubs and White Sox players on the ballot and the number of votes they received.

- Andre Dawson, Cubs, 361
- Lee Smith, Cubs, 240
- Tommy John, Sox, 171
- Tim Raines, Sox, 122
- Harold Baines, Sox, 32
- Mark Grace, Cubs, 22
- Dan Plesac, Cubs, 0



Beckham
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Sox invite 18 to camp

Top prospects Gordon Beckham, Aaron Poreda and Tyler Flowers were among 18 players receiving Spring Training invitations Monday from the White Sox.

Beckham, 22, was the eighth player selected in June's amateur draft. He hit .310 in 14 games at Class A Kannapolis and .394 in the Arizona Fall League. Baseball America ranks the infielder as the No. 1 prospect in the Sox's system, and he could be on a fast track to the majors, much like 2008 AL rookie of the year Evan Longoria of the Rays.

The left-handed Poreda, the Sox's second-ranked prospect, went 8-9 with a 3.11 ERA in 27 starts at high Class A Winston-Salem and Double-A Birmingham. Poreda, 22, could compete for a spot in the rotation with a good spring.

Flowers, a catcher, was acquired from the Braves in the Javier Vazquez deal after hitting .288 with a .427 on-base percentage, 17 homers and 88 RBIs at high Class A Myrtle Beach. He's considered the team's catcher of the future and will turn 23 this month.

Players receiving non-roster invitations include former Cubs prospect Josh Kroeger, an outfielder who hit .307 with 15 homers at Triple-A Iowa last year. Other invitees are infielders Javier Castillo, Bryan Myrow, Sergio Santos and Eider Torres, catchers Donny Lucy, Corky Miller and Chris Stewart, outfielder Michael Restovich, right-handed pitchers Ryan Braun, Franklyn German, Brad Salmon and John Van Benschoten and left-handed pitcher Randy Williams.

Veteran reliever Mike MacDougal also will be invited to camp.

Camp opens Feb. 15. The first full-squad workout is Feb. 19. **TRIBUNE**

One fan's plan to fix da Bears

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The Bears' failure to hold leads in six of their seven losses, having the worst number of offensive drives of five-plus minutes and scoring on only two drives that began at their own 20-yard line speaks volumes to them not being able to control the clock, to be "closers" and being close to anything. And, I believe this is what needs to be done in the off-season to improve the Bears for 2009.

- Demote Bob Babich to linebackers coach only and name Rod Marinelli the defensive coordinator and have him work with the defensive line.
- Release/trade/not re-sign Marty Booker, Rashied Davis, Terrence Metcalf, Hunter Hillenmeyer, Nathan Vasher, Brandon McGowan, Dusty Dvoracek, John Tait, Rex Grossman, Mike Brown, Kevin Jones and Adrian Peterson.
- Move Brian Urlacher to strong-side LB and sign Zack Thomas. The Bears need to junk the "prowl" defense, which has Urlacher and Lance Briggs out of position most of the time, doesn't allow them into their proper pass drops and puts them too close to the line to key on the ball carrier on runs.
- Draft one of the top middle linebackers (Ohio State's James Laurinaitis, Pittsburgh's Scott McKillop, Florida State's Derek Nicholson, USC's Brian Cushing or Florida's Brandon Spikes) and have him learn from Thomas.
- Acquire/draft/trade for a go-to and No. 1 wide receiver, free and strong safety, veteran quarterback, defensive end, middle linebacker, and veterans on the offensive line.

—WALTER BRZESKI, MONTCLARE

IN THE FUTURE

Last week, Whizzer asked readers to make predictions or wishes about Chicago sports in 2009. Here are some of the responses.

"The Cubs curse continues. They're swept in the 1st round of the playoffs." *—VINCENT PIERCE, RIVERDALE*

"Coach Q leading the Blackhawks to the Stanley Cup finals." *—JOE, NORTHWEST SIDE*

"For a canine to suddenly appear at Wrigley Field which in turn causes the Cubs to win the World Series in 2009! Are you up for it?" *—MARK, SOUTH LOOP*

"The Bulls won't make the playoffs. Wow I'm right again two years in a row." *—DAVID, ENGLEWOOD*

For shame

RedEye's Five on Five Hall of Fame is still empty. There have been no suitable honorees found yet.

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1 What's baseball's Hall of Fame class of 2009 missing?	Nothing so long as Mark McGwire remains in permanent detention.	A prom.	A little something I like to call cowbell (a.k.a. the Canseco brothers).	Glamor (mug) shots.	The class clown.
2 Are Blackhawks fans heading for a letdown?	Only if they don't win the Stanley Cup, but that can't happen.	Unless Bill Wirtz rises from the grave, no.	Can't say. My hockey predictions are as reliable as Amy Winehouse's husband.	At the end of the day, male Blackhawks fans should be used to deflation.	The last time I checked, we live in Chicago, so that's a big yes.
3 What do you imagine it is like in the Bulls' locker room these days?	Give me a second and I'll check the tape on Rahula's concealed video camera.	If there is justice, Jo Noah and Larry Hughes repeatedly apologizing to everyone.	They lack strong leadership—so, pretty much how it's like for all of us right now.	A lot of bum slaps.	Like it is at Leo's parties. Puking, sobbing, paranoia—and that's before the drinking.
4 Derrick Rose is thinking to himself ...	"... I am thinking to myself."	"... Don't apologize, just go away."	"... How long until I openly lobby to trade for a real shooting guard? One week?"	"... if it's appealing, let's take another stab at this season."	"... no amount of money is worth this. Oh, hold it, yes it is."
5 How is an impeachment trial like sports?	Both are way better when Bob Costas handles broadcast duties.	No matter who wins, everyone watching is still a loser.	There are lots of denials of sexual encounters by all parties involved.	Jason Marquis was removed so he wasn't allowed the dignity of re-signing.	The uglier it gets, the more entertaining it gets.

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Is it karma, I wonder, for all those years Bob Knight served as tyrant of the Indiana University basketball team? Or is it karma for firing coach Mike Davis, who took an IU team to the NCAA title game with the same players Knight couldn't? Or is it karma for hiring the coach of questionable morals, Kelvin Sampson?

Whatever the cause, IU is having an awful year. Lucky for you, you can watch it. Here now, my TV picks.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

INDIANA AT OHIO STATE
6 p.m. ESPN
This is gonna be a massacre, it should be rated R.

HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

GLENBROOK SOUTH AT GLENBROOK NORTH
7:30 p.m. CSN
These teams could beat Indiana—or the Bulls, for that matter.

COLLEGE BASKETBALL

2005: ARIZONA VS. ILLINOIS
6 p.m. Big Ten Network
We know how this turned out, but it's still amazing to watch Illinois win 90-89.

Monstrous debut

Talk radio has come to TV.

"Monsters in the Morning," reuniting former Score (670-AM) personalities Mike North and Dan Jiggetts, debuted Monday on Comcast SportsNet to mixed reviews.

Here are a couple of first impressions.

"The highlight of the show was a visit from Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley during the 8 a.m. hour. Mr. North had fun with the mayor, asking him to fix his parking tickets and what garb he wears to watch football games.

"The mayor stumped for the Olympics and continued to throw out the notion that Chicago could support a second NFL team. That won't happen because of two words: Da Bears."

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"For much of the rest of the first 180 minutes, it took real restraint not to surf channels for something faster, funnier, louder, more visually interesting or otherwise engaging.

"The sort of low-key things you might keep listening to when stuck in Dan Ryan traffic are less likely to hold one's attention when there are hundreds of other channels available, not to mention whatever needs to be done before heading out the door for work or school.

"The first three interviews of the introductory program were with the manager of the oldies rock group Chicago, the head of the company that's signed on as title sponsor and the man in charge of Comcast SportsNet Chicago. ...

"There's nothing to indicate this show can't improve. There's an opportunity here and plenty of people rooting for any local media venture to succeed.

"This is a franchise that needs a wake-up call before it can reliably be one."

—PHIL ROSENTHAL, CHICAGO TRIBUNE

HOMETOWN HITS

Bulls guard Kirk Hinrich returned for the game against the Portland Trail Blazers on Monday night, about a month earlier than initially anticipated after he underwent thumb surgery in November.

The Winter Classic (above) drew the biggest TV audience for a regular-season NHL game in nearly 34 years. The Detroit Red Wings' 6-4 win over the Blackhawks at Wrigley Field on New Year's Day attracted an average of 4.4 million U.S. viewers on NBC, the network said Monday. **GETTY IMAGES**

The Slaughter signed former NFL receiver Tony Simmons, a Chicago native, on Monday. Simmons' NFL career included stints with the New England Patriots, Indianapolis Colts, Cleveland Browns and New York Giants. He had 58 receptions, 998 yards and six touchdowns in the NFL.

CHICAGO ST. 94, LONGWOOD 86

David Holston scored 32 points to lead Chicago State in a 94-86 win over Longwood on Monday night. John Cantrell added 27 points and Carl Montgomery notched a double-double, scoring 13 and grabbing 18 rebounds for the Cougars (10-8, 3-7).

MONDAY'S RESULTS

» University of Wisconsin-Milwaukee 70, SIU-Edwardsville 59
» Portland 109, Bulls 95

HIT AND RUN

NFL

Colts' Dungy retires

Tony Dungy has retired after seven years as coach of the Indianapolis Colts, saying this was the right moment. "These seven years have been better than I could ever have imagined," Dungy, the only black coach to win a Super Bowl, said at a news conference Monday. He will be replaced by associate coach Jim Caldwell.

NBA

James stylin' on GQ cover

LeBron James will appear on the February cover of GQ magazine—another first for the NBA superstar. Posing in a slate gray suit, pink shirt and gray tie, James added the GQ cover to his run of magazine fronts from Sports Illustrated to Fortune to Vogue, in which he was the first black male to appear on the cover in the magazine's 116-year history.

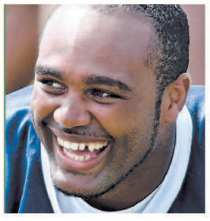
BASEBALL

Report: Grand jury examining Clemens

Roger Clemens' denials of performance-enhancing drug use to Congress will now be examined by a federal grand jury, according to a report, leaving the seven-time Cy Young Award-winning pitcher under the cloud of a possible indictment and prison time if it is proved he lied. "This is an opportunity for vindication," said Earl Ward, an attorney for Clemens' former trainer, Brian McNamee.

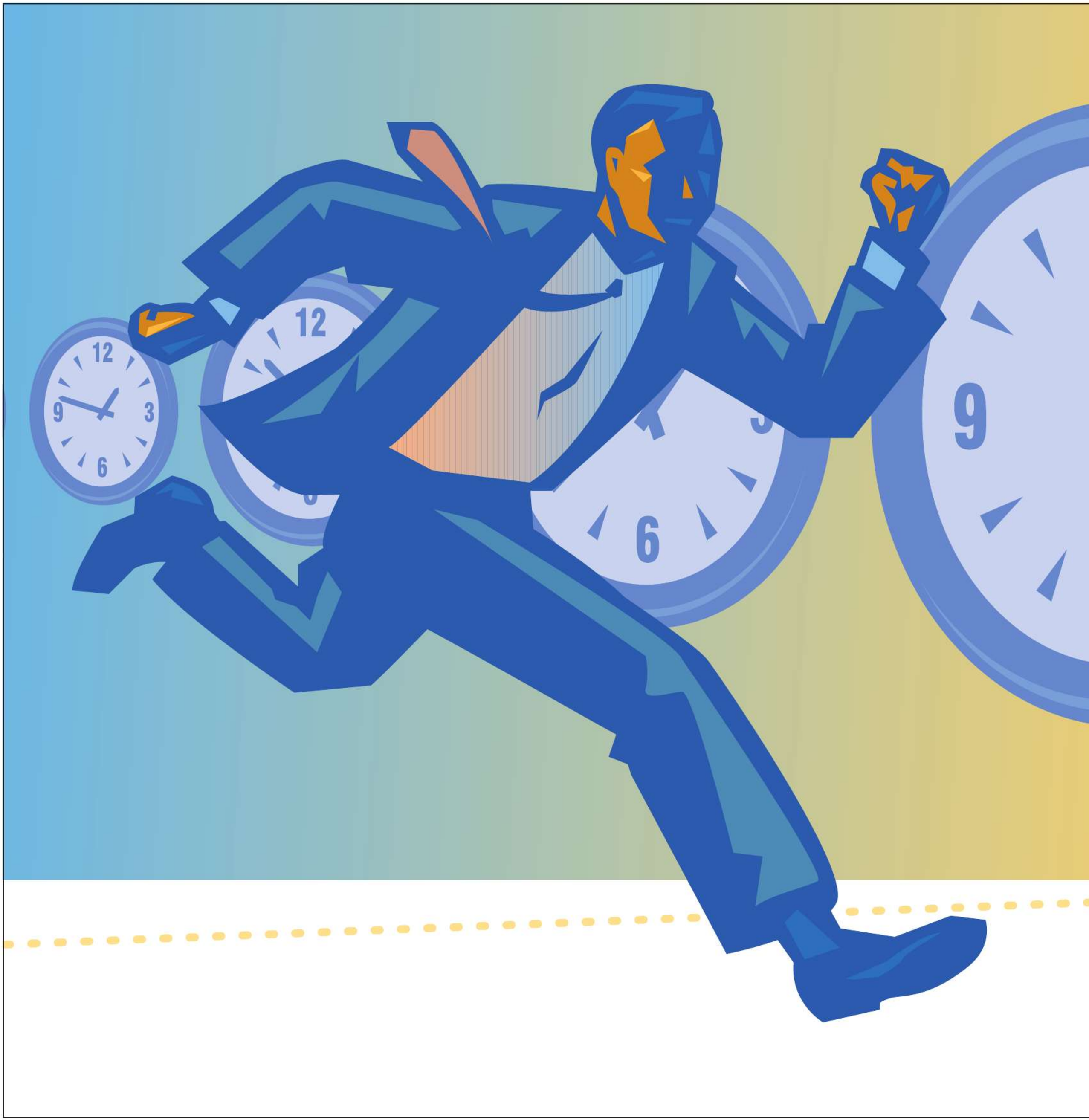
COPS AND JOCKS

Athletes can't seem to stay out of trouble, and we can't seem to look away.



Another Cowboy in trouble

Dallas Cowboys linebacker Anthony Spencer was arrested over the weekend after a disturbance outside a downtown Indianapolis nightclub. Spencer was arrested on preliminary charges of public intoxication and disorderly conduct about 3 a.m. Sunday outside the Have a Nice Day Cafe, city police Sgt. Matthew Mount said.



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Brew and view

Raise a glass to your favorite TV shows at these viewing parties

"Lost" viewing party at Stretch Run
FILE FOR METROMIX

By Lisa Arnett

If must-see TV and the brutally cold weather have added up to one sad case of never leaving your couch, there's only one thing that can save your social life: the viewing party. Paula Abdul's quasi-coherent commentary on "American Idol" and the perpetual plot twists of "Lost" are bound to be even more entertaining with a cold drink in your hand and die-hard fans by your side. Introduce our drinking game rules to your fellow bargoers and see where the night takes you.

American Idol

Where: Grand River (3032 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-281-9900)
When: 7 p.m. Tuesdays starting Jan. 13
Details: Another season of musical talent (and lack thereof) blares on every flat-screen TV at this Lakeview sports bar. Wash down 25 cent wings with $10 Miller Lite pitchers and $4 drafts of Three Floyd's Gumballhead, Magic Hat #9 and Bell's Oberon Ale. The bar will continue to air the show weekly—unless a Michigan State basketball game overlaps.
Drink when ... the new fourth judge, Grammy-nominated songwriter Kara DioGuardi, disagrees with Simon, and (how could we not?) Randy says "dawg."

Lost

Where: Stretch Run (544 N. LaSalle St. 312-644-4477)
When: 7 p.m. Wednesdays starting Jan. 21
Details: Honor the show's tragic hero, Jack, with $4 Jack Daniel's cocktails while watching the show on two projector screens at this TV-laden bar. Specials also include $3 domestic bottles and $17.50 Corona buckets.
Drink when ... Ben gives someone a creepy, beady-eyed stare, or a character wears clothes that appear impossibly clean for a castaway.

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Where: Kirkwood Bar & Grill (2934 N. Sheffield Ave. 773-770-0700)
When: 7 p.m. Mondays
Details: During the show (a.k.a. "Jack Bauer Power Hour"), order up $8 Miller Lite pitchers or drafts of Miller Lite or Coors Light for $2.40. Stick around post-show for trivia night and $3 burgers with your first beer, plus $3 Magic Hat pints and $4 Jager bombs.
Drink when ... a character remarks about running out of time.

Nip/Tuck

Where: Uncle Fatty's (2833 N. Sheffield Ave. 773-477-3661)
When: 9 p.m. Tuesdays
Details: This party snags our award for most entertaining name: Buck and Tuck. The beverage of the night? $1 Coors Lights.
Drink when ... you see a scalpel.

The L Word

Where: Halsted's Bar & Grill (3441 N. Halsted St. 773-348-9696)
When: 8 p.m. Sundays starting Jan. 18
Details: Watch the show's final season over $3.50 22-ounce Miller Lites and Bud Lights. Brunch cocktail specials ($3 mimosas and screwdrivers) extend into the evening.
Drink when ... a character drops the f-bomb.

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"Top Chef" at Cans
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'Top Chef' parties

Hometown girl Radhika Desai of Between Boutique Cafe & Lounge is still going strong on Bravo's "Top Chef." Catch the rest of the season at 9 p.m. Wednesdays at these ongoing parties:

Between Boutique Cafe & Lounge
1324 N. Milwaukee Ave.
773-292-0585
Watch the show on Desai's home turf over a tasting menu with wine pairings. $60. Reservations recommended.

Broadway Cellars
5900 N. Broadway
773-944-1208
Draw a cheftestant's name at the door and the house will pay your dinner bill if he or she is eliminated. No cover.

Kit Kat Lounge
3700 N. Halsted St.
773-525-1111
Save cash on two-for-one entrees and select half-price cocktails while you watch the chefs shuffle to save their asses. No cover.

Cans Bar & Canteen
1640 N. Damen Ave.
773-227-2277
Head to the back room to watch the culinary antics ensue over $1 sliders, half-price signature cocktails and tall cans at $2 off. No cover.

TALK 'CHEF'
Tune into dining producer M. Kathleen Pratt's "Top Chef" blog every Thursday on **metromix.com**.

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"Wicked"

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BY REBECCA PALMORE
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TUESDAY DEAL

Buck up
Brasserie Jo, 59 W. Hubbard St. 312-595-0800.

A buck doesn't buy much in today's economy, which is why Brasserie Jo's **Vodka 101 class** is such a steal. Learn how to mix cocktails such as the Martini Jo (DiVine vodka with a splash of Lillet Rouge and orange zest) and more while sipping samples and filling up on appetizers and desserts such as vodka chocolate cake. $1. 7 p.m.

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'Wicked' deal
Ford Center for the Performing Arts, 24 W. Randolph St. 312-977-1700.

Before "Wicked" goes up in smoke on Jan. 25, try your luck scoring as many as two $25, first- or second-row tickets during a ticket drawing. Just fill out an entry form at the Ford (Tuesdays-Fridays) or Borders Books & Music on Michigan Avenue (Saturdays-Sundays). Names are drawn two hours prior to showtime. Winners must be present; cash and photo ID required. Find the "Wicked" schedule at **metromix.com**

Singles-minded
Sheffield's, 3258 N. Sheffield Ave. 773-281-4989.

Valentine's Day rears its heart-shaped head in just over a month, and Sheffield's is ready with a follow-up to last fall's matchmaking bash, **Date My Friend, Please**. The concept is simple: Show up, don an ID number and work the crowd. If you're so inclined, write a note—or five or 50—to any cuties you spy using the bar's clever mailbox system. Includes prizes such as a Cubs' Opening Day package. 7 p.m.

This is how we do it
Sonotheque, 1444 W. Chicago Ave. 312-226-7600.

Local filmmakers and fans of their work have a new monthly meeting ground called **Indie Flicks Tuesday**. Screening work by Chicago filmmakers, the event offers a chance for buffs to mingle with industry folks and catch a few locally made films to boot. The series kicks off with Darrell Robbins and Britt Richardson's short work "Between Western and California" and Ken Young's satirical feature "Redrum," among others. 7 p.m. $7.

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Cage match
Ida Noyes Hall, 1212 E. 59th St. 773-702-8575.

Watch Nicolas Cage and Holly Hunter in a battle over child rearing in the Coen Brothers' 1987 cult comedy "**Raising Arizona**," Wednesday's feature at Hyde Park's long-running Doc Films series. 7 and 9 p.m. $5.

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Feeling green?
Museum of Science and Industry, 5700 S. Lake Shore Drive. 773-684-1414.

The museum's 2009 Black Creativity exhibition **"Green Revolution"** opens Thursday with interactive displays about African-Americans' contributions to environmentalism. During your visit, test soil samples, assemble mini-solar panels, identify your carbon footprint and pedal a bicycle that powers an mp3 player. 9:30 a.m. General admission is free through Jan. 31.

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BAR CELONA AND GRILL
$1 tacos, $2.50 Corona, Corona Light, Dos Equis and Tecate bottles; 3474 N. Clark St. 773-244-8000.

BUTCH MCGUIRE'S
Half-price appetizers (5-10 p.m.), $8 domestic pitchers; 20 W. Division St. 312-337-9080.

CINNERS
$2 well drinks; 4757 N. Talman Ave. 773-654-1624.

CITIZEN BAR
Half-price select bottles of wine, $5 Snow Queen cocktails; 364 W. Erie St. 312-640-1156.

COOBAH
$6 sangria pitchers; 3423 N. Southport Ave. 773-528-2220.

DEJA VU
Roadhouse Reunion. $3 shots, $4 bombs, $5 Don Julio drafts. $5 for non-service industry workers; 2624 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-871-0205.

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Metromix's top $1 drink deals

ATMOSPHERE
$1 select cocktails and Bud Light drafts; 5355 N. Clark St. 773-784-1100.

CACTUS BAR & GRILL
$1 Blue Moon, Miller Light and St. Pauli Girl drafts, $2.95 appetizers with purchase of a drink (2-6 p.m.), $5 Blue Moon, Miller Light and St. Pauli Girl pitchers, $20 Red Stripe buckets; 404 S. Wells St. 312-922-3830.

INNJOY
$1 PBR and Miller Lite drafts, $3 mixed drinks, half-price burgers, DJs spin indie rock; 2051 W. Division St. 773-394-2066.

THE LONG ROOM
$1 PBR cans, $2 Jim Beam shots; 1612 W. Irving Park Rd. 773-665-4500.

WISE FOOLS PUB
$1 Schlitz drafts, $3 select mixed drinks, $3 select drafts; 2270 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-929-1300.

DELILAH'S
$2 Canadian Club cocktails and Bio Grande Organic Lager pints; 2771 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-472-2771.

THE FIFTY/50
$4 Goose Island IPA drafts, $5 Jameson and Corzo tequila cocktails; 2047 W. Division St. 773-489-5050.

GARRETT RIPLEY'S
Half-price bottles of wine; 712 N. Clark St. 312-642-2900.

GOODBAR
$3 cocktails; 2512 N. Halsted St. 773-296-9700.

THE HANGGE-UPPE
$4 rum cocktails; 14 W. Elm St. 312-337-0561.

HARRY CARAY'S TAVERN
$4 Captain Morgan cocktails, $3 Miller Lite bottles; 3551 N. Sheffield Ave. 773-327-7800.

HAWKEYE'S
$3.25 MGD 64 bottles, $4.25 Newcastle bottles; 1458 W. Taylor St. 312-226-3951.

HYDRATE
Wild Tuesdays. DJs D, Dynamico and George G spin, $4 Sauza margaritas, $3 Sauza shots; 3458 N. Halsted St. 773-975-9244.

JAKE MELNICK'S CORNER TAP
$2 PBR cans, $5 Absolut cocktails; 41 E. Superior St. 312-266-0400.

LEG ROOM
$2 house cocktails, domestic bottles and cherry bombs; 7 W. Division St. 312-337-2583.

MAD RIVER
$3 Bud bottles, Absolut cocktails and 312 drafts, half-price quesadillas; 2909 N. Sheffield Ave. 773-935-7500.

MARTINI PARK
Torch Tuesdays. Complimentary appetizers (5-8 p.m.), $7 martinis and retro cocktails, $5 select mixed drinks; 151 W. Erie St. 312-640-0577.

OLD TOWN PUB
9 p.m.: Open Mic Tuesdays. Alex Felten of the band Republic Republica hosts an open mic for aspiring musicians. Drink specials include $4 Jameson shots and $4 Carlsburg tall-boy drafts. No cover; 1339 N. Wells St. 312-747-9835.

POTTER'S
Half-price appetizers (4-6 p.m.); 17 E. Monroe St. Palmer House Hilton. 312-917-4933.

RED IVY
$1 mini-burgers, $2 European drafts; 3525 N. Clark St. 773-472-0900.

SHEFFIELD'S
7 p.m.: Date My Friend, Please. Mingle with other singles for a chance to win prizes and leave anonymous notes for whoever sparks your interest. No cover; 3258 N. Sheffield Ave. 773-281-4989.

UNCLE FATTY'S
Cowboy Up Chicago. Free line dancing class 7-9 p.m., blind darts tournament 10 p.m., live country music 7 p.m.; 2833 N. Sheffield Ave. 773-477-3661.

VINES ON CLARK
Two-for-one pasta dishes, half-price bottles of wine, game show night 7 p.m.; 3554 N. Clark St. 773-327-8572.

WEATHER MARK TAVERN
$5 margaritas, $7 taco plates; 1503 S. Michigan Ave. 312-588-0230.

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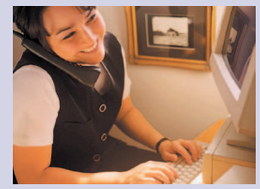

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9 p.m. Fri. Sold out. Schubas, 3159 N. Southport Ave. 773-525-2508.

HEY CHAMP
Buzz is growing now that these locals have Lupe Fiasco on their side. With Thunderheist, The Wonderful World Of Bald Eagle, Pretty Good Dance Moves DJs, Fly By Night and Friends.
9 p.m. Sat. $15. Schubas, 3159 N. Southport Ave. 773-525-2508.

THE HARD LESSONS
Detroit rockers find fun in the blend of sweet and sour.
8 p.m. Fri. $10. SPACE, 1245 Chicago Ave. Evanston. 847-492-8860.

FRANZ NICOLAY
Hold Steady multi-instrumentalist knows how to rock—and rock a mustache. With The Syllable Section, The Balkaners.
10 p.m. Sat. $8. Empty Bottle, 1035 N. Western Ave. 773-276-3600.

FRANK BANG SECRET STASH, THE MAG 7, KEITH SCOTT
9 p.m. Free. Double Door, 1572 N. Milwaukee Ave. 773-489-3160.

JOE BARR, JOANNA CONNOR
9:30 p.m. $12. Kingston Mines, 2548 N. Halsted St. 773-477-4646.

JORDAN BASKIN TRIO WITH DR. ODIES WILLIAMS
7 p.m. $10. Andy's Jazz Club, 11 E. Hubbard St. 312-642-6805.

JOSE VALDES LATIN JAZZ TRIO
6:30 p.m. Free. Green Dolphin Street, 2200 N. Ashland Ave. 773-395-0066.

LORNA BOSTON BAND
10:30 p.m. Cover varies. The Underground Wonder Bar, 10 E. Walton St. 312-266-7761.

MARTY SAMMON
8:30 p.m. Free. Harlem Avenue Lounge, 3701 Harlem Ave., Berwyn. 708-484-3610.

PETE GALANIS BAND WITH MARTY SAMMON
9:30 p.m. $7. Rosa's Lounge, 3420 W. Armitage Ave. 773-342-0452.

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8:30 p.m. $7. Elbo Room, 2871 N. Lincoln Ave. 773-549-5549.

RODNEY BROWN AND HOT ROD
9:30 p.m. $7. B.L.U.E.S., 2519 N. Halsted St. 773-528-1012.

SHARON LEWIS
9:30 p.m. $10. Buddy Guy's Legends, 754 S. Wabash Ave. 312-427-0333.

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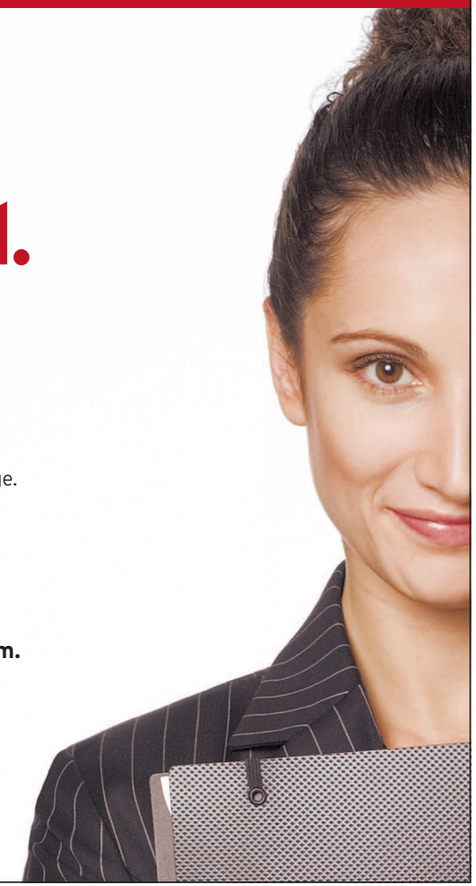

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'Idol's' new edition

Competition adds fresh touches to avoid midlife crisis

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» Vital Idol is back! I'll be live-blogging "Idol" at **redeyechicago.com/showpatrol**.
» Where can you go to watch "Idol" and other shows? **See page 19**

"American Idol" has survived nude Internet photos, the Corey Clark-Paula Abdul scandal, David Archuleta's dad and yes, even Sanjaya Malakar.

But can it survive middle age?

The Fox singing competition and TV's No. 1 show enters its eighth season at 7 p.m. Tuesday, a year after seeing its ratings slide. Producers claim not to be worried about the drop from about 30 million viewers an episode to 28 million, but they've made some major changes to the show anyway.

"There were no panic changes," executive producer Ken Warwick told reporters several weeks ago. "It wasn't, 'Oh, my God, we've dropped seven percent [in total viewers] and what are we going to do?"

Enter new judge Kara DioGuardi, Fox's boldest move to keep viewers glued to the TVs.

The network is hoping DioGuardi, whom some already are calling "the female Simon," will add new sparks at the judges table consisting of Simon Cowell, Paula Abdul and Randy Jackson.

"I do like to say it like I see it," DioGuardi told reporters last week. "I don't really mince words, but I do feel I have a heart and when you're dealing with creative people that have some talent you want to make sure that you encourage them, but also if they don't have any talent, you want to discourage them because you don't want them to waste their time."

DioGuardi doesn't agree with the Cowell comparison, saying that she's a mix of all the judges, whom she described like this: "I would say that Paula has a lot of heart. I would say that Simon pretty much tells it like it is. Sometimes he can be pretty harsh, but he's usually right. And Randy is just, he's the diplomat."

Fox's head of alternative programming, Mike Darnell, told the L.A. Times that the addition of DioGuardi is working "better than expected."

"I've now seen four of the audition cities cut, and they're really good," Darnell said. "... Just by having a good fourth person in there, everybody's comments are changing. They are saying things they didn't say in years past."

DioGuardi is shaking things up, at least according to Cowell. The cranky judge said during auditions in December that DioGuardi and Abdul have ganged up on him.

"What guy would like that? You've got two girls ganging up on you," he said. "One is hard enough; two is unbearable."

When asked about Cowell's comment last week, DioGuardi said, "You know, when he deserves it, we give it to him. And believe me, he deserves it sometimes."

The new judge is just one of several changes this season. (More are listed on the next page.) Other dramatic alterations are the revival of the wild-card round in which the judges get to pick finalists, and the use of more backstage footage in the middle rounds to show the contestants' reactions to judging. They also will chat with host Ryan Seacrest after being judged.

"So you see if they're upset with what Simon said, you get to see it right away," Darnell told the Times. "... How do they feel right after? How do they feel stepping off that stage? They can't hide it. They can't cover it up."

It's all an effort to keep the show lively for viewers who have been watching for eight years, Warwick said, adding that he expects viewership to drop again this season.

"I'm not ashamed of that, because I've got eight years of success behind me ...," he said. "This wouldn't have been on the TV for eight years if it wasn't doing it right."

Randy Jackson, Kara DioGuardi, Simon Cowell and Paula Abdul
FOX

No idling for 'Idol'

Besides adding a fourth judge, the "American Idol" producers have tweaked the show in ways that viewers will notice as the season progresses. C.W.

Hung

7 tryout episodes

If your biggest pleasure is mocking the William Hungs and other odd birds—OK, tryouts dressed as birds—then you'll be disappointed to read that seven episodes—if you count the two-night premiere as two—will be dedicated to auditions, beginning Tuesday and ending Jan. 29.

But you will see quite a few truly delusional tryouts, producer Ken Warwick told reporters in December. "If all the bad ones never got seen it would be boring," he said.

4 Hollywood eps

"Idol" has added one more Hollywood edition in order to spend more time with quality contestants, Warwick said. During the Hollywood editions, 36 singers will be picked instead of the usual 24 singers to move into the semifinal phase, which begins Feb. 17.

Another scary change in the Hollywood rounds? Group performances have been revived.

3 semifinalist shows

In past seasons, two semifinal eps showcased 12 boys and 12 girls. Not so this season. Warwick wants viewers to get to know all 36 semifinalists. He hopes this change "keeps [the show] fresher for longer. ... It changes things up more when you get to the Top 12." Viewers will vote for three finalists after each of the episodes on Feb. 17, Feb. 24 and March 3. One male, one female and the next top vote-getter move on.

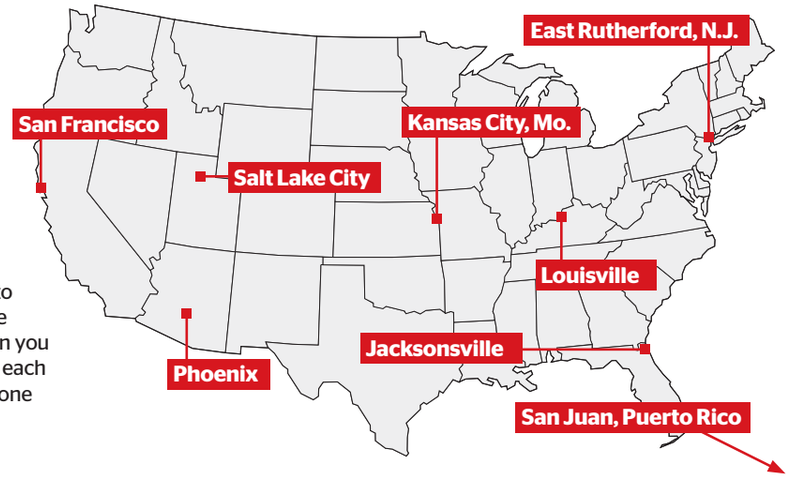
1 wild-card round

The wild-card round—which gave us Clay Aiken and Jennifer Hudson in past seasons—returns. This round gives judges the chance to pick three of the final 12 performers, something that makes Simon Cowell very happy.

"I wasn't crazy about the process we went through the last couple of years where we were given a small group of contestants who you actually got bored with once you hit ... the live shows," he told reporters in December. "This way this is a bit more jeopardy and hopefully a bit more fun in the middle stages."

On March 5, Cowell and the other judges pick the final three contestants who weren't chosen by viewer-voters.

Audition cities



Meet Kara DioGuardi

Kara DioGuardi debuts as the newest "American Idol" judge Tuesday, when the show begins three weeks of audition episodes.

DioGuardi told reporters last week that she was most impressed with "five to 10" male singers during the auditions. She heard a "lot of soul influence" among the contestants, she said, "the way Maroon 5 is soulful."

"I would say that there is a uniqueness to some of the male contestants that's different in terms of their voices and their songs," she said.

DioGuardi said she never imagined she'd be on "Idol," but the 38-year-old singer-songwriter-producer does have "Idol" connections:

» In 2000, she and Paula Abdul co-wrote "Spinning Out" for Kylie Minogue.

» She's written songs for "Idol" contestants Kelly Clarkson, David Archuleta, David Cook and Katharine McPhee, as well as for and with Christina Aguilera, Gwen Stefani, Enrique Iglesias, Pink and Celine Dion.

» She appeared on ABC's 2006 "Idol" wannabe "The One: Making a Music Star," a show that was canceled after only four episodes.

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Your next idol?

"American Idol" begins at 7 p.m. Tuesday on Fox with auditions from Kansas City, Mo., and Phoenix. Will these four tryouts be the next Kelly Clarkson or William Hung?

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(312) 255-9340
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AMC Select - The best specialty films
- **Bride Wars** (PG) 2:30,5:00,7:30,10:00
- **The Unborn** (PG–13) 1:50,4:20,7:00,9:30
- **Benjamin Button** (PG–13) 3:00,6:45,10:15
- **Bedtime Stories** (PG) 1:40,4:30,7:20,9:50
- **Valkyrie** (PG–13) 2:15,5:15,8:10,11:00
- **Marley & Me** (PG) 2:00,4:45,7:40,10:30
- **Seven Pounds** (PG–13) 1:15,4:10,7:50,10:50
- **Yes Man** (PG–13) 2:40,5:30,8:00,10:40
- **Earth Stood** (PG–13) 9:40 P.M.
- **Quantum-Sol.** (PG–13) 1:30,4:35,7:10

LANDMARK CENTURY CENTRE CINEMA (LANDMARK)
2828 North Clark St., Chicago
(773) 509-4949

- **Revo Road** (R) 2:00,3:10,4:50,6:30,7:45,9:45,10:30
- **The Reader** (R) 3:15,9:50
- **Milk** (R) 1:30,4:30,7:30,10:20
- **Slumdog Mill** (R) 1:45,3:00,4:40,6:15,7:40,9:20,10:30
- **Doubt** (PG–13) 1:55,4:45,7:35,10:10

CITY NORTH 14 (KERASOTES)
2600 N. Western Ave.
(800) 326-3264 #1642

- **Bride Wars** (PG) ★ 11:50,2:30,5:20,7:50,10:20 A.M.
- **Not Easily** (PG–13) ★ 10:40,1:40,4:10,5:00,7:10,8:00,10:00,10:40 A.M.
- **The Unborn** (PG–13) ★ 10:10,12:50,3:40,6:30,7:00,9:00,9:40 A.M.
- **The Spirit** (PG–13) 10:10 P.M.
- **Benjamin Button** (PG–13) 10:00,2:00,6:10,9:50 A.M.
- **Bedtime Stories** (PG) 11:30,12:20,2:20,3:00,4:50,5:30,7:40, 8:10,10:45 A.M.
- **Marley & Me** (PG) 10:50,12:40,1:50,3:50,4:40,6:40,7:30,9:30,10:15 A.M.
- **Valkyrie** (PG–13) 11:40,3:20,6:20,9:20 A.M.
- **Tale of Desp** (G) 11:00,1:30,4:30 A.M.
- **Yes Man** (PG–13) 10:15,1:00,3:30,6:45,9:15 A.M.
- **Seven Pounds** (PG–13) 10:30,1:20,4:20,7:20,10:30 A.M.
- **Earth Stood** (PG–13) 11:20,2:10 A.M. P.M.
- **Bolt in 3D** (PG) 10:20,1:10,4:05 A.M.

DAVIS THEATRE (VALUE)
4614 N. Lincoln Ave., Chicago
(773) 784-0893

- **Gran Torino** (R) ★ 5:00,7:40,10:00
- **Benjamin Button** (PG–13) 6:30,9:45
- **Valkyrie** (PG–13) 5:15,7:45,10:15
- **Slumdog Mill** (R) 5:10,7:30,10:00

FORD CITY 14 (AMC)
S. Cicero at 76th, Chicago
(773) 582-1839
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AMC Select - The best specialty films
- **Not Easily** (PG–13) 1:20,2:10,3:45,4:45,6:15,7:15,9:00,9:40
- AMC Select **Gran Torino** (R) 1:35,4:15,7:00,9:35
- **Bride Wars** (PG) 1:15,3:30,5:40,7:55,10:15
- **The Unborn** (PG–13) 1:10,2:20,3:15,4:30,5:30,6:45,7:45,9:05,9:50
- **Benjamin Button** (PG–13) 1:00,4:35,8:15
- **The Spirit** (PG–13) 5:00,10:00
- **Bedtime Stories** (PG) 2:15,4:50,7:25,9:45
- **Valkyrie** (PG–13) 1:30,4:05,6:55,9:40
- **Marley & Me** (PG) 1:50,4:20,7:05,9:50
- **Tale of Desp** (G) 1:45,4:10,6:40,9:10
- **Seven Pounds** (PG–13) 1:05,4:00,6:50,9:25
- **Yes Man** (PG–13) 2:00,4:25,7:10,9:30
- **Earth Stood** (PG–13) 2:30,7:35

GENE SISKEL FILM CENTER
164 State Street
312-846-2800

- **Three Res** (NR) 6:00
- **Sleeping** (NR) 6:00,8:00
- **The Land** (NR) 7:45

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LOGAN THEATRE
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- **Cadillac Rec** (R) 2:10,4:15,6:25,8:30
- **Twilight** (PG–13) 2:00,4:15,6:30,8:40
- **Quantum-Sol.** (PG–13) 2:10,4:10,6:15,8:20
- **Madagascar 2** (PG) 2:15,6:15
- **Bolt** (PG) 4:05,8:10

MUSIC BOX
3733 N. Southport, Chicago
(773) 871-6604

- **Moscow, Belgium** (NR) 5:40,7:40,9:40
- **Timecrimes** (R) 5:45,7:45,9:45

PIPERS ALLEY (AMC)
1608 N. Wells, Chicago
(312) 642-7500
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AMC Select - The best specialty films
- **Autopsy** (R) 4:10,10:20
- **The Broken** (R) 2:00,8:20
- **Slaughter** (R) 6:10 P.M.
- **Ghajini** (NR) 6:00 P.M.
- **Australia** (PG–13) 2:30 P.M.
- AMC Select **Happy-Go-Lucky** (R) 9:45 P.M.
- AMC Select **Let the Right** (R) 2:15,4:55,7:40,10:10
- AMC Select **Rachel Getting** (R) 2:00,4:40,7:20,9:55

RIVER EAST 21 (AMC)
322 E. Illinois Street
847-765-7262
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- AMC Select **The Reader** (R) 1:25,4:25,7:25,10:25
- **Not Easily** (PG–13) 2:15,5:00,7:45,10:30
- AMC Select **Gran Torino** (R) 1:45,3:20,4:40,7:40,8:45,10:40
- **Bride Wars** (PG) 3:00,5:30,8:05,10:45
- **The Unborn** (PG–13) 1:50,4:30,7:00,9:30
- AMC Select **Revo Road** (R) 1:20,2:20,4:20,5:20,8:20,10:40
- **Benjamin Button** (PG–13) 3:10,7:00,10:40 ;
- **Benjamin Button** (PG–13) 2:10,6:00,9:40
- **The Spirit** (PG–13) 7:35,10:10
- **Bedtime Stories** (PG) 1:30,4:00,9:45
- **Valkyrie** (PG–13) 1:30,4:30,7:30,10:30
- **Marley & Me** (PG) 1:00,4:00,7:15,10:20
- AMC Select **Frost/Nixon** (R) 2:35,5:35,8:35
- AMC Select **Doubt** (PG–13) 1:50,4:40,7:30,10:15
- **Tale of Desp** (G) 2:40,5:05
- **Seven Pounds** (PG–13) 2:15,5:15,8:20
- **Yes Man** (PG–13) 1:20 P.M.
- AMC Select **Slumdog Mill** (R) 1:10,4:10,7:10,10:10
- AMC Select **The Wrestler** (R) 2:10,5:00,6:05,7:50,10:35
- AMC Select **Milk** (R) 1:15,4:15,7:20,10:25

CROWN VILLAGE 18 (KERASOTES)
7000 Carperter Rd., Skokie
(800) 326-3264 #2309

- **Bride Wars** (PG) ★ 12:00,2:30,5:00,7:30,9:50
- **Gran Torino** (R) 1:10,1:50,4:00,4:40,7:00,7:50,9:45,10:35
- **Not Easily** (PG–13) ★ 11:40,2:10,5:10,7:40,10:15
- **The Unborn** (PG–13) ★ 12:50,3:10,6:05,8:30,10:40
- **The Reader** (R) ★ 7:20,10:20
- **Revo Road** (R) 1:00,4:10,7:10,9:55
- **The Spirit** (PG–13) 11:50,5:20,10:30

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CROWN VILLAGE 18 (KERASOTES) (continued)
- **Benjamin Button** (PG–13) 12:10,2:00,4:20,6:10,8:10,10:00
- **Bedtime Stories** (PG) 1:20,3:50,6:40,9:10
- **Doubt** (PG–13) 12:45,3:45,6:45,9:20
- **Marley & Me** (PG) 12:40,3:40,6:50,9:40
- **Valkyrie** (PG–13) 1:40,4:30,7:15,10:05
- **Tale of Desp** (G) 1:30,4:15
- **Yes Man** (PG–13) 11:45,2:20,4:50,7:45,10:25
- **Seven Pounds** (PG–13) 12:30,3:30,6:30,9:30
- **Earth Stood** (PG–13) 2:40,8:00
- **Frost/Nixon** (R) 12:20,3:20,6:20,9:15
- **Slumdog Mill** (R) 12:15,3:00,6:15,9:00

WEBSTER PLACE (KERASOTES)
1471 W. Webster Ave., Chicago
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- **Bride Wars** (PG) ★ 11:20,12:15,1:50,2:45,4:20,5:15,6:50,7:40, 9:20,10:10 A.M.
- **Gran Torino** (R) 10:30,11:15,1:00,2:10,3:45,5:00,6:30,7:50, 9:15,10:30 A.M.
- **Benjamin Button** (PG–13) 11:00,12:45,2:30,4:30,6:10,8:00,9:50 A.M.
- **Bedtime Stories** (PG) 11:30,2:00,4:50,7:10,9:30 A.M.
- **Valkyrie** (PG–13) 10:10,1:10,4:10,7:00,10:00 A.M.
- **Yes Man** (PG–13) 10:50,1:30,4:00,6:40,9:40 A.M.
- **Seven Pounds** (PG–13) 10:15,1:20,4:15,7:20,10:20 A.M.
- **Frost/Nixon** (R) 10:20,1:40,4:40,7:30,10:15 A.M.

SHOWPLACE 14 - GALEWOOD CROSSINGS (KERASOTES)
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- **Bride Wars** (PG) 1:10,3:50,6:30,9:00 P.M.
- **Gran Torino** (R) 1:40,4:30,7:30,10:30 P.M.
- **Not Easily** (PG–13) 1:50,2:30,4:20,5:00,7:00,7:50,9:20,10:20 P.M.
- **The Unborn** (PG–13) 1:15,3:45,6:20,8:50 P.M.
- **The Spirit** (PG–13) 1:30,4:15,7:10,10:00
- **Benjamin Button** (PG–13) 2:20,6:05,9:40 P.M.
- **Bedtime Stories** (PG) 2:15,4:50,7:20,9:50 P.M.
- **Marley & Me** (PG) 1:00,3:40,6:40,9:30 P.M.
- **Valkyrie** (PG–13) 1:20,4:10,7:15,10:10 P.M.
- **Tale of Desp** (G) 2:10,4:40 P.M.
- **Yes Man** (PG–13) 2:00,4:45,7:40,10:40 P.M.
- **Seven Pounds** (PG–13) 12:50,4:00,6:50,9:45 P.M.
- **Earth Stood** (PG–13) 12:40,3:30,6:10,9:10 P.M.
- **Nothing Like** (PG–13) 7:45,10:15
- **Bolt** (PG) 12:40,3:30,6:10 P.M.

CICERO SHOWPLACE 14 (KERASOTES)
4779 W. Cermak
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- **Bride Wars** (PG) ★ 1:10,3:50,6:30,9:00 P.M.
- **Gran Torino** (R) 1:40,4:30,7:30,10:30 P.M.
- **Not Easily** (PG–13) ★ 1:50,2:30,4:20,5:00,7:00,7:50,9:20,10:20 P.M.
- **The Unborn** (PG–13) ★ 1:15,3:45,6:20,8:50 P.M.
- **The Spirit** (PG–13) 1:30,4:15,7:10,10:00 P.M.
- **Benjamin Button** (PG–13) 2:20,6:05,9:40 P.M.
- **Bedtime Stories** (PG) 2:15,4:50,7:20,9:50 P.M.
- **Marley & Me** (PG) 1:00,3:40,6:40,9:30 P.M.
- **Valkyrie** (PG–13) 1:20,4:10,7:15,10:10 P.M.
- **Tale of Desp** (G) 2:10,4:40 P.M.
- **Yes Man** (PG–13) 2:00,4:45,7:40,10:40 P.M.
- **Seven Pounds** (PG–13) 12:50,4:00,6:50,9:45 P.M.
- **Earth Stood** (PG–13) 12:40,3:30,6:10,9:10 P.M.
- **Nothing Like** (PG–13) 7:45,10:15

OAK PARK

LAKE CINEMAS (CLASSIC)
1022 Lake Street
630-444-FILM #560

- **Gran Torino** (R) 2:00,4:35,7:10,9:45
- **Valkyrie** (PG–13) 1:30,4:10,6:50,9:30
- **Bedtime Stories** (PG) 12:00,2:15,4:30,6:45,9:00
- **Benjamin Button** (PG–13) 1:00,4:20,7:45
- **Seven Pounds** (PG–13) 1:00,3:45,6:30,9:10
- **Yes Man** (PG–13) 12:30,2:50,5:10,7:30,9:50
- **Slumdog Mill** (R) 2:05,4:40,7:20,10:00

EVANSTON

CENTURY 12/CINEARTS 6 (CENTURY)
1715 MAPLE AVE.
(847)492-0123

- **Bride Wars** (PG) ★ 12:10,2:30,4:55,7:10,9:30
- **Not Easily** (PG–13) ★ 12:00,2:40,5:10,7:40,10:10
- **The Unborn** (PG–13) ★ 12:15,2:35,5:10,7:20,9:35
- **Yes Man** (PG–13) ★ 11:45,2:25,4:55,7:35,10:20
- **Bedtime Stories** (PG) 11:55,2:20,4:40,7:25,9:55
- **Doubt** (PG–13) 11:35,2:05,4:50,7:30,10:05
- **Frost/Nixon** (R) 1:30,4:25,7:20,10:20
- **Gran Torino** (R) ★ 1:00,3:50,6:40,8:00,9:30,10:40
- **Marley & Me** (PG) 11:50,2:30,5:15,7:50,10:35
- **Milk** (R) 1:40,4:35,7:30,10:25
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- **The Wrestler** (R) 11:40,2:20,5:05,7:40,10:25
- **Valkyrie** (PG–13) 1:35,4:25,7:15,10:15

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Things that turn us on

DVD

"Vicky Cristina Barcelona"

DVD, $28.95; Blu-ray, $34.99

Woody Allen's romance picked up a best musical/comedy Golden Globe on Sunday, just in time for the DVD release of the film in which Scarlett Johansson and Rebecca Hall play Americans vacationing in Spain who get caught up in a love quadrangle with a painter (Javier Bardem) and his ex-wife (Penelope Cruz). **DAVID GERMAIN, AP**

ONLINE

"Valkyrie" peek

apple.com/trailers/mgm/valkyrie

Apple.com is offering an exclusive video peek at the first 6 minutes of Tom Cruise's film, "Valkyrie," which I recommend. Cruise may be playing a Nazi, but he's in full heroic Tom mode. It's a nail-biter, even if you do know the outcome.

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Notorious B.I.G.

MUSIC

"Notorious" soundtrack *Various artists*

The late Notorious B.I.G.'s clever, detailed rhymes are all on display on the "Notorious" biopic soundtrack, built around some Biggie Smalls hip-hop classics—"Hypnotize," "Juicy" and "Warning"—and the impressive demos "Microphone Murderer" and "Guaranteed Raw." Supporting Biggie's songs are new tracks from Jay-Z, Jadakiss and Bone Thugs-N-Harmony. A poignant moment comes courtesy of Biggie's son, CJ Wallace, rhyming in unison with his father on the remix of "One More Chance." **GLENN GAMBOA, NEWSDAY**

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RedEye's pick for the top fashionista at Sunday's Golden Globe Awards is January Jones (right) of "Mad Men," shown here in her electric-blue one-shoulder gown by Versace.

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4 Flow out copiously
8 Walked with long steps
14 _-Magnon
15 Toledo's lake
16 Rose stickers
17 Collapsible bed
18 Skier's lift
19 Ark's resting place
20 Witty saying
22 Engendered
23 Definite winner
24 Potter
28 Church council
29 Actor Heflin
30 Sample
31 Predict
34 Entreaty
35 Blockhead
38 Greenery
40 Printer's measures
41 Heavy grayish metal
43 Wrench out of shape
45 French capital
47 Sound of disgust
48 Inciter
52 Oilskin raincoats
54 Ancient rival of Athens
55 Spigots
56 Find petty faults
57 Open the windows
60 Creche figures
61 Greek letter
62 Chin whiskers
63 Bullets, missiles, etc.
64 Write
65 Enrages
66 College bigwig
67 Work unit

DOWN

1 Right to enter
2 Symbolic prize
3 Change in position
4 Eliminate
5 Of cities
6 Thailand, once
7 That woman
8 Ex-QB Bart
9 Forewarning
10 Tourist's guide
11 Hockey great Bobby
12 Genetic stuff
13 Winter hrs. in Boston
21 Mistake
22 Under
24 Frameworks around doors
25 Man or Capri
26 Wineglass part
27 Oolong or pekoe
29 Fabrics similar to velvet
32 Enormous mythical bird
33 Freudian subject
35 Mont Blanc's range
36 Close tightly
37 Bombay wrap
39 Outburst
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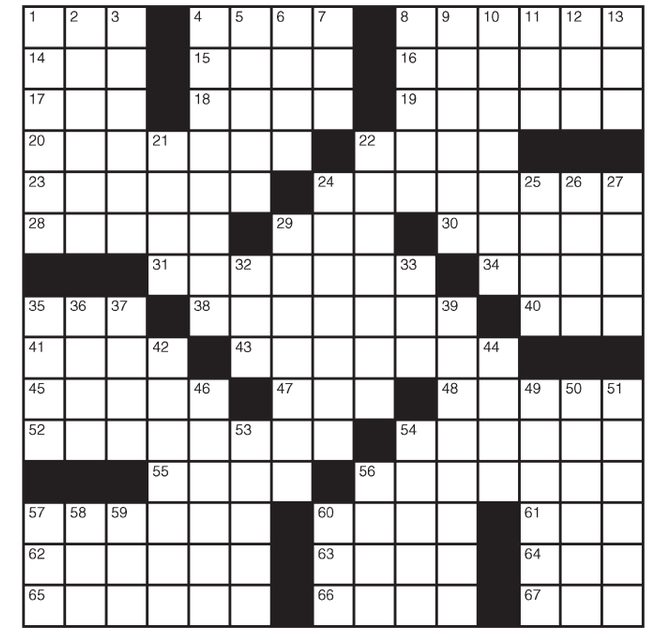

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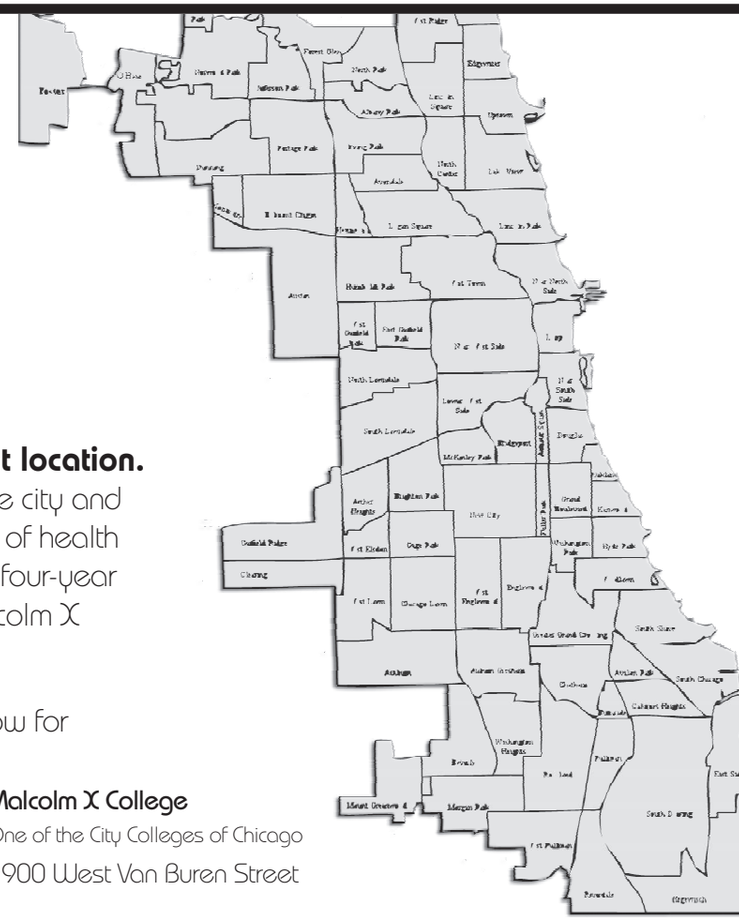

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BY JIM WALSH

Just like mom—

The red carpet interviews at the Golden Globes this weekend were fun ... but predictable.

Memorable chats this year all seemed to focus on the family. There was Denis Leary, who trotted his wife and kids out with him as he mugged for the cameras. And there was Miley Cyrus' pop, Billy Ray Cyrus, who got in on the game with an impromptu interview with his daughter at the request of an NBC reporter.

After recovering from our Globes hangover—did we seriously sit through three hours of that?—RedEye started thinking about other celebrity families. We dug into the photo archives in order to answer that most important of questions: Which celeb parent looks more like his or her kid?

A SURI CRUISE

1 KATIE HOLMES

2 TOM CRUISE

B JADEN SMITH

1 JADA PINKETT SMITH

2 WILL SMITH

C ROMEO BECKHAM

1 VICTORIA BECKHAM

2 DAVID BECKHAM

D JUSTIN COMBS

1 MISA HYLTON-BRIM

2 DIDDY

Tina Fey
AP

Take that, haters

Tina Fey's calling out of message board posters during her Golden Globes speech Sunday only added more fuel to the fire, according to comments on the L.A. Times. After Fey said "suck it," they fired back. Cougar-Letter posted: "Give me something to suck on." But all love is not lost; many posters gushed about the "30 Rock" actress. One who wrote, "Oh my God! I love Tina Fey! Greatest speech ever! Suck it!"

Bar scene

Hilary Duff has landed a role in a Fox sitcom called "Barely Legal," Reuters reported. The singer/actress is set to play a young lawyer in the comedy based on the true story of Kathleen Holtz, who in 2007 passed the California bar at age 18 to become the state's youngest lawyer. What, you thought it was about something else?

Bad endorsement

When is a mention by Oprah not a good thing? Ask Hain Celestial, maker of Garden of Eatin' blue corn chips. Winfrey recently attributed her 40-pound weight gain in part to eating a bag a day of the chips, according to **adage.com**, which notes that the talk show queen even held a bag of Hain Celestial's chips on her TV show as a prop, albeit with her hand obscuring the brand name.

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Spitting image

Parents always say they look like their kids. RedEye paired celeb couples with their offspring to see what you think. Text the letter of the celeb couple you want to vote on, then the word **"kid"** along with the number below a photo to **47383**. For example, if you think Tom Cruise looks more like Suri than Katie Holmes, text the letter "A," followed by "kid," followed by the number 2. No spaces required. You'll get the poll results instantly.

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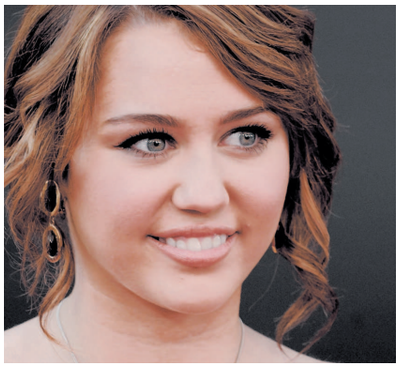

1 TISH CYRUS

2 BILLY RAY CYRUS

F KINGSTON ROSSDALE

1 GWEN STEFANI

2 GAVIN ROSSDALE

Bada Broadway

James Gandolfini—best known as Tony Soprano from HBO's "The Sopranos"—will star with Jeff Daniels, Hope Davis and Marcia Gay Harden in "God of Carnage," a play about the clash between two liberal, middle-class couples, the AP reported. The play opens March 22 at the Bernard B. Jacobs Theatre.

Sidelined

"Law & Order" star Mariska Hargitay is suffering from a partially collapsed lung, according to her rep, "Access Hollywood" reported. Despite the injury, "she will appear in all episodes for the rest of the season of 'Law & Order: SVU,'" her rep added. Hargitay was one of several nominated actors who did not appear at Sunday's Golden Globes.

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Fisher and Cohen

Isla Fisher and Sacha Baron Cohen are closer than ever to tying the knot.

"We are going to get married, really, really, even more now than ever," Fisher, who has a 15-month-old daughter with Cohen, says in the February issue of Allure, according to excerpts on **usmagazine.com**. "... We have been very close, but it's been difficult to plan."

Fisher, who stars in the upcoming movie "Confessions of a Shopaholic," also addressed her resemblance to another petite Hollywood redhead.

"If 'Shopaholic' is a hit, then it was Isla Fisher in the movie, and if it doesn't work out, it was Amy Adams," she said, according to **people.com**.

THE DIGIT

50 Number of years that Motown Records has been around, according to the AP. Members of some of the label's most famous acts were in Detroit on Monday to kick off what will be a yearlong celebration, Rolling Stone reports.

THE VELVET ROPE

Brady and Bundchen
GETTY IMAGES FILE

Super engagement

NFL superstar Tom Brady and supermodel Gisele Bundchen have broken the huddle on what promises to be the Super Bowl of A-list weddings, **people.com** reported Monday. After more than two weeks of rumors and rampant speculation, Brady, 31, proposed with a diamond solitaire to Bundchen, 28, on Friday, People reports.

Seacrest snub

In case you missed it, Brad Pitt and Angelina Jolie *totally* blew off Ryan Seacrest when he tried to interview the couple Sunday at the Golden Globes. "I don't think Angelina thinks that I'm that important," Seacrest said on his radio show Monday. In other Globe news, the show averaged 14.6 million total viewers, its second-worst number since 1995, the L.A. Times reports.

Fielder-Civil

On the D-list

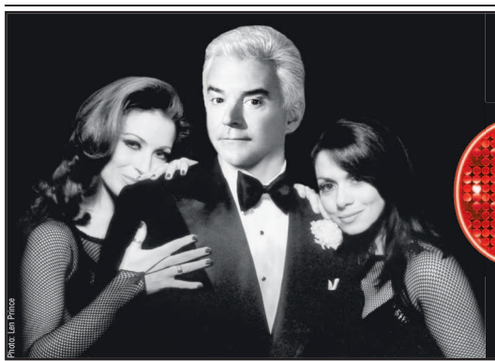
Amy Winehouse's jailed husband, Blake Fielder-Civil, wants a divorce because "of Amy's adultery," AP reports. The couple married in 2007. Since then he's had problems with the law. Last year, Winehouse often called for the release of "my Blake." But she has been linked by tabloids to other men.

New tunes take flight

Good news for over-anxious "Flight of the Conchords" fans. The mock-rockers will begin releasing their new songs on iTunes on Jan. 19, the day after the HBO show airs new episodes, **billboard.com** reports. The new album, which will contain songs from the upcoming season, and extra tracks, will drop April 14.

'Twilight' meets 'HSM'?

It's a match made in tween heaven: Vanessa Hudgens, of "High School Musical" fame, is rumored to be considering a role in the "Twilight" sequel, "New Moon," according to **mtv.com**. "Twilight" actress Ashley Greene told MTV that Hudgens auditioned for the role of werewolf Leah Clearwater, frenemy to Taylor Lautner's Jacob Black.



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